



To: City Councilors
CC: City Manager Ken Coleman
From: City Clerk Gail Davidson
Date: July 22, 2015
Re: Set Public Hearing on Utility Changes

Councilors:

City Council passed Ordinance No. 4, Series 2015, on April 28, 2015. That Ordinance amends the City Code regarding residential and commercial electric customers who install photovoltaic or wind systems and establishes a rate for the electric energy consumed by those customers. This evening you passed Ordinance No. 8, Series 2015, which revises the Gunnison Municipal Code to allow for commercial utility customers to participate in the City's Time-of-Day Rate Program that is currently available to residential customers. Both of the ordinance deal with amendments to the City Utility Codes.

Colorado Revised Statutes Section 40-3.5-104, Change in rates – notice and public hearing outlines the process for amendments to utility rates. Hence, public notice must be made to affected utility customers and a public hearing must be held on the proposal prior to passage and implementation of the amendments. Therefore, in compliance with the Statute, a notice outlining the proposed changes will be mailed to customers with the end of July utility billing and the public hearing notice will be published prior to the required 30 days notice. The first available Regular Session meeting to accomplish the public hearing and possible 2nd reading of the ordinance is September 8, 2015. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you, Gail

Action Requested of Council: A motion, second and vote to set a public hearing to receive public input on Ordinance No. 4, Series 2015, re: photo-voltaic and wind power customer electric rates; and Ordinance No. 8, Series 2015, regarding adding commercial customers to the City's Time-of-Day Rate program, for 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, August 8, 2015, in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 201 W. Virginia Avenue in Gunnison.